

ABSTRACT

5 A device for suturing an opening in an internal organ of a patient,
comprises a first catheter for insertion to an opening to be sealed through a
working channel of an endoscope, a plurality of anchoring members received
within the first catheter, each of the anchoring members including a shaft
extending from a tissue penetrating distal tip to a suture receiving proximal end
and a gripping arm moveable between an insertion configuration in which the
gripping arm is folded against the shaft and a gripping configuration in which the
10 gripping member extends away from the shaft and a driving member extending
through the first catheter to a proximal end thereof, wherein advancing the
driving member distally into the first catheter advances the anchoring members
distally through the first catheter to drive a distal-most one of the anchoring
members out of the first catheter to anchor in tissue. A length of suture extends
15 between the suture receiving proximal ends of the anchor members.